

Bauchi State University Graduates 7,543 at Maiden Combined Convocation

Bauchi State University, Gadau, last week Saturday, held its maiden convocation ceremonies for 1st to 7th Class of graduates, who were awarded with various degrees.

The convocation saw a total of 7,543 students graduating across various academic levels, marking a significant achievement for the State University.

Speaking at the event, the Executive Governor of Bauchi State and Visitor, Bala Mohammed emphasized the importance of responsible behaviour and cautioned students against negative influences and anti-social conduct.

He stressed that the future of the state and the nation largely depend on the youth, addressing the students as the leaders of tomorrow.

“The purpose of university life is not solely for academic pursuits but also to learn how to lead a responsible life independently.

Your education has been heavily invested in by both the government and your parents.

It’s crucial to refrain from anti-social behaviour and negative

assured the provision of infrastructure and adequate support to state-owned tertiary institutions to ensure smooth academic operations.



His Excellency, Governor Bala Mohammed
The Executive Governor of Bauchi State and Visitor to the University

peer influence,” Governor Mohammed asserted.

While expressing his administration’s commitment to facilitating a conducive environment for academic pursuits, Governor Mohammed

Commending the university’s management for maintaining peace on its campuses and fostering a strong relationship with the State Government and relevant educational agencies, Governor Mohammed pledged continued support for research

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and innovation in the institution.



Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki
Ag. Executive Secretary, NUC

He said, “The world is moving towards digital economy and my vision for the university and indeed other tertiary institutions in the state is to promote technology and skill acquisition in order for our graduates to be self-reliant, not job seekers. I therefore challenge the University to come up with courses and programmes that will turn the tide and open up opportunities for our people to improve their economy.”

Acknowledging his conferment

with an Honorary Doctorate Degree, Governor Mohammed highlighted that the Bauchi State Government was convoking an Educational Summit in the coming days, aimed at transforming State’s education sector. He urged the university to contribute ideas towards tackling security challenges, particularly severe crimes, kidnapping, and drug addiction.

Governor Mohammed called for selflessness, cooperation, and commitment among the university staff, stressing the need for collective efforts in moving Bauchi state forward.

In her Convocation Address, Vice-Chancellor of Bauchi State University, Gadau, Professor Fatima Tahir, said that 184 students of the University were awarded First Class degrees.

She disclosed that the university equally graduated 3,593 students with second-class upper division, and 484

postgraduates across various programmes such as Postgraduate Diploma (119), Professional Masters (193), Academic Masters (193), and 19 Ph.D recipients.

She further gave the breakdown that the 184 First Class degree holders represented 2.6 per of the graduating students, while 3,593 students with second-class upper



Professor Fatima Tahir
Vice-Chancellor, Bauchi State University, Gadau

division represent 42.6 in Second Class Upper Division and 2,368 of them, representing 32.8 percent, graduated with Second Class Lower degrees.



A cross section of Traditional Rulers at the convocation



Some of the principal officers of the university

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Fatima Tahir, recalled that the full academic activities in the university began in 2011/2012 session.

She explained that the university was established by the Bauchi State House of Assembly Act of 2009.

Professor Fatima Tahir, congratulated parents, graduands, awardees, staff and management of the university for their

collective sacrifices towards achieving great success.

In his goodwill message at the convocation, the Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki sated that NUC as the flagship regulatory agency of government would continue to provide its unflinching support to state owned universities.

He also said the Commission

would continue to monitor their operations and conformity with extant regulatory and quality assurance provisions to ensure that all stakeholders get maximum value for their investments and productive time.

He called on the management of the University to continuously engage the State Government on the need to improve intervention for the sustainable engagement of qualified academics for teaching, learning and research.



A cross section of the Msc and Phd graduands



Some of the graduating students from various classes at the convocation

Mr. Maiyaki also encouraged the University to put in place incentives that would attract foreign faculty and international students, for increased visibility because a University by definition must demonstrate those attributes that make truly international entities.

Bauchi State University, Gadau (BASUG), marked a historic milestone during its maiden convocation ceremony by conferring Honorary Doctorate Degrees upon exceptional

individuals, including Bauchi State Governor, Bala Mohammed.

Governor Mohammed, in particular, received an Honorary Doctorate Degree (Honoris Causa), Doctor of Letters, a testament to his outstanding leadership and commitment to rebuilding Bauchi State.

Other esteemed figures such as Emir of Bauchi Dr. Rilwanu Sulaimanu Adamu, Emir of

Katagum Umar Faruq II, Former Bauchi State Governor Malam Isah Yuguda, and Late Malam Sa'adu Zungur, was recognized for their remarkable contributions to the university's advancement and their immense impact within the education sector.

Another highlight of the event was a convocation lecture titled: 'Safeguarding Nigeria's Future: Prioritising Citizens Welfare and Security Amidst Challenges,' delivered by



Some of the guests at the convocation

Prof. Rasheed Bags Honorary Award @ PAMO 3rd Convocation/ 6th Founder's Day

The immediate past Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, MFR, FNAL, last Tuesday received honorary award of Doctor of Science degree from PAMO University of Medical Sciences, Port-Harcourt, Rivers State, for his contributions to the development of university education in Nigeria.

graduates from the institution would match their contemporaries anywhere in the world.

He said this quality delivery of courses by PAMO had made all their programmes to earn NUC's full accreditation as well as that of the professional boards of Nursing, Medical Laboratory Science, Radiography and Medicine.

seasons, which made him leave office to pursue his passion when he chose to vacate office. Mr. Maiyaki congratulated him for such a decision that was very difficult to take in the Nigerian climate.

He noted that the recognition of the former Executive Secretary by the University was well deserving and gave NUC family a sense of fulfilment that one of its own was



Executive Governor of Rivers State, Sir Siminalayi Fubara congratulating the Honourary Award recipient, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, after his robe by the Vice-Chancellor

The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki led a high-powered delegation from the Commission to identify and support Professor Rasheed at the investiture ceremony, as a mark of solidarity to a man who left an indelible mark during his stay in the NUC.

Speaking at the ceremony, the Acting Executive Secretary, said PAMO University of Medical Sciences remained one of the private universities licenced in the last six years that NUC was proud of its achievements, noting that there was no doubt that the first set of Medical

Harping on the award, he described the recipient of the honorary Doctor of Science Degree, Professor Rasheed, as a rare gem, a benefactor and finest boss with humane candour and fortitude, who distinguished himself in service while in the NUC.

He said the former Executive Secretary also had a chequered history of accomplishment in other places of his endeavours in public service.

He said Professor Rasheed had an outstanding public service career at NUC and also understood times and

being celebrated.

Addressing the convocation, Mr. Maiyaki reminded the gathering that NUC was saddled with the responsibility of the orderly development of a coordinated and quality Nigerian University System (NUS), which was not only accessible, affordable but also of comparable quality and sameness with their counterparts elsewhere.

He said the Commission would continue to partner with willing investors to establish more universities as the population rate in the country provided such lee-way



Sir Siminalayi Fubara
Executive Governor of Rivers State

for increase in the number in order to cater for the demand for university education.

He said one of the landmark achievements during the stay of Professor Rasheed in NUC was the re-engineering of the nation's



Professor Michael F. E. Diejomaoh
Vice-Chancellor of PAMO

curriculum which brought about the new Core Curriculum Minimum Academic Standards (CCMAS) now in place in the NUS, fulfilling one of the Commission's core mandates.

He commended the courage of the founder of PAMO, Sir Peter Odili, OFR, for the huge investments in the production of medical students which, he noted, was capital intensive, saying

he had done well to improve the nation's education system.

In his speech, the Executive Governor of Rivers State, Sir Siminalayi Fubara commended the founder, management and staff of PAMO for the momentous occasion of the graduation of its first set of medical doctors which, he said, had further placed the University at a higher pedestal in the country.

He congratulated the students for going through the rigours of learning and for qualifying to be recognised as Medical doctors describing it as a great feat for them and their sponsors.

The Governor said the graduating students should count themselves fortunate to be enlisted into the world of Medical doctors when professionals in their field were in short supply all over the globe as nations were struggling to provide adequate healthcare for their citizens.

He stated that as the graduates prepared for a lifelong world of work and practice, that the Rivers State government and indeed the entire universe was waiting to tap from their skills and services.

Governor Fubara thanked the founder of the University, Sir Peter Odili for venturing into the area of producing Medical Doctors, stressing that the deficit in medical health professionals made it imperative that Nigeria needed to increase the number of its Doctors to be able to tackle its health challenges.

He noted that the case of improvement in the number was very precarious as statistics indicated that Nigeria had a ratio of

9,000 patients to one Doctor, when the recommended ratio was one to 600 patients.



Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki
Acting Executive Secretary, NUC

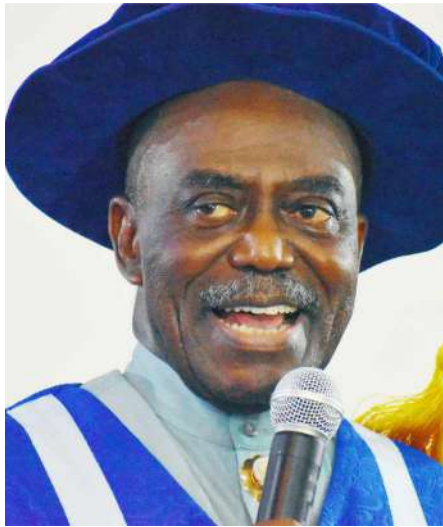
He acknowledged the role of PAMO in filling the huge gap of medical health professionals through the University's rapid investments in medical education, noting that Rivers State would continue to support the efforts of private investors like PAMO who had done well to address societal issues.



Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed
Former ES, NUC and award recipient

Also speaking, the Founder, Sir Odili recalled with nostalgia how by sheer grace he encountered the award recipient and immediate past Executive Secretary, Professor Rasheed at the Airport which somehow became the beginning of

the journey of PAMO, precisely on the 19th of December, 2016.



Sir Peter Odili, OFR
The Founder of PAMO

He said it was for this singular reason that the first stanza of the anthem of PAMO reflected “a gift from God,” which captured the essence of how the University was birthed.

Sir Odili explained that the University was also blessed to have high profile individuals such as Gen (rtd). Abdusalami Abubakar, GFCR, as its Chancellor and Justice Adoke in its Board of Trustees (BoT) who had used their influence to attract goodwill for the University.

He noted with pride that the University recently acquired a 250 capacity ultra-modern laboratory

fully equipped with medical facilities named after the Late Chairman of the Planning and Implementation Committee (PIC) of PAMO, Professor Linus Ejeaba. He expressed his delight that the facility was now been deployed to train the university’s medical students.

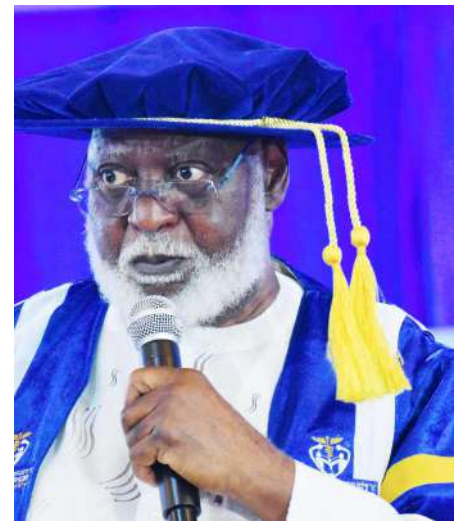
The Founder paid glowing tribute to Professor Rasheed who was being recognised by the University with an honorary degree of Science for his immense support that had helped the institution grow after six years to its present level. He also thanked the resilient staff who did their best to pour themselves into the students, describing them as great academics of quality repute.

In his speech, Professor Rasheed said he felt humbled by his choice for the award of the honorary degree of Doctor of Science, noting that he was proud to be associated with the University and its founder.

He described Sir Peter Odili as an accomplished Medical professional, who started as a Medical Officer and did a bit of private practice the went into the public space were he rose up to become chief medical director. He

noted that Sir Odili’s passion drove him into provision of medical education through his investment into the PAMO University of Medical Sciences.

He stressed that the founder was one man known for his interest in the field of medicine, coming from that establishment himself, to now building PAMO University of Medical Science because of his love for medicine practice.



Gen. (rtd.) Abdusalami Abubakar, GCFR
The Chancellor of the university

The former Executive Secretary noted with pride that PAMO was the first private medical university in Nigeria, the first in Port-Harcourt and also one of the best since the last six years of its existence.



A cross section of some of the dignitaries and Pioneer Graduating Medical Doctors of PAMO University at the ceremony



Others at the event

He also commended the Chancellor, Gen. (rtd.) Abdulalami Abubakar for his uncommon humility and for blazing the trail in approving the first set of private universities in 1999 and for selfless service to the nation at large.

In his convocation address, the Vice-Chancellor of PAMO, Professor Michael F.E Diejomaoh reiterated that PAMO was graduating her first batch of Medical Doctors, with a total of 40 MBBS out of the 89 students across the Health Sciences and

awarding honorary degree to a distinguished Nigerian.

According to him, among the other 49 classified degrees, five bagged First Class, 19 Second Class Upper, 18 Second Class Lower, 2 Third Class Honours.

Those that accompanied the Acting Executive Secretary to the ceremony were the Director, Open, Distance and e-Learning (DODel), Engr. Kayode Odedina; Acting Directors of Inspection and

Monitoring (DIM), Mrs Lydia Imorua and Skills Development and Entrepreneurship (DSDE), Mal. Ashafa Ladan

The event was attended by the crème de la crème in the Nigerian academic community; Members of the Rivers State Governments; Captains of Industry, Serving and former Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian Universities, friends and relatives of the honorary degree recipient and graduating students.



L-R: The Acting Director, DIM, Mrs Lydia Imorua; immediate past Executive Secretary and award recipient, Professor Rasheed; Acting Director, DSDE, Mal. Ashafa Ladan and Director, DODel, Engr. Kayode Odedina, after the investiture ceremony at PAMO.

36 Bag First Class @ Ajayi Crowther Varsity 15th Convocation

Ajayi Crowther University (ACU), Oyo, Oyo State, Penultimate Thursday held Its 15th Convocation Ceremony for the award of first degrees and other higher degrees to deserving graduands.

A total of 974 undergraduate and 594 postgraduate degrees were awarded at the ceremony. Out of the 974 undergraduate degrees, 36 persons bagged First Class Honours; 430 were in the Second Class (Upper Division) category while 408 and 100 were in the Second Class (Lower Division) and Third Class categories respectively.

In the postgraduate category, 594 graduands were recorded, out of which, 71 persons received postgraduate diploma and 523 others awarded Masters Degree in various disciplines.

In his goodwill message at the ceremony, the Ag. Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Chris J. Maiyaki, felicitated the staff, students and the guardians on the occasion of its 15th Convocation ceremony.

The Acting Executive Secretary, represented by the Director, Open Distance and e-Learning (DODel), Engr. (Dr.) Kayode Odedina, reiterated some of the efforts of the Commission in ameliorating the challenge of access in the Nigerian University System (NUS).

He informed the audience about the four guidelines on Open Distance and e-Learning that had just been

released by NUC namely: (i) Guidelines on Transnational Education in Nigeria (TNE); (ii) Guidelines for the Establishment of Private Open Universities in

Council, Chief Wole Olanipekun, SAN, CFR, LL.D, D.Litt, Dr. Toyin Okeowo and the entire University on the occasion of the 15th Convocation.



Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki
Acting Executive Secretary, NUC

Nigeria (iii) Guidelines on e-Learning in Nigeria and (iv) Guidelines on the implementation of Open Educational Resources (OER) in Nigerian Universities.

He announced to the University community that the Commission was particularly promoting a six-model framework of TNE which included the Branch Campus Model; Franchise/Independent; Twinning/Articulation; Open and Distance Learning; Merger/Acquisition and, Teaching Institutions Model.

Addressing the convocation, the Visitor, Most Revd. Dr. Joseph Olatunji Akinfenwa rejoiced with the Chancellor, Chief Dr Tunde J. Afolabi, MFR, DSc(Hons); the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of

While congratulating the graduating students for their well-deserved honour, he assured parents and the general public that ACU is committed to the continual development of the University and would not rest on its oars as the Institution remained a work-in-progress.

He stated that a truly international faculty and a truly international student population remained the two features that brought the universe into the university system. Speaking at the Convocation ceremony, the Chancellor, Chief Dr. Tunde J. Afolabi, MFR D.Sc. highlighted some of the challenges facing tertiary education in Nigeria such as inadequate funding; incessant strike actions by the Unions of public universities;

universities' struggles for academic autonomy, among others.



Engr. (Dr.) Kayode Odedina
Representative of the Ag. ES and Director, DODel, NUC

He suggested that the antidote to these challenges included, looking for ways to attract funds for the universities; engaging stakeholders in the University System to appreciate each other's role in making quality contributions to the University's growth and development; encouraging town and gown relationship; the role of alumni and re-branding of institutional image, among others.

In his speech, the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of Council, Dr. Olutoyin Okeowo said that his Council was inaugurated on 22nd January, 2023 and immediately organized a retreat to bring all stakeholders together to develop strategies for the University's growth and progress.

He noted that after the retreat, six strategic committees were established, namely those of Committee on 5-year strategic plan; Digital Transformation; Fund-raising, Branding and Revenue Mobilisation; Spirituality, Morality, Ethics and Culture;

University programmes, Academic Curricular and Staff Audit as well as Infrastructural Development.

According to him, the Committees were set up to address such sundry issues like the need to: Make the University environment more welcoming for faculties, students and visitors; Attract endowment of Professorial Chairs in various disciplines of the University; Secure grants for productive scholarship and research excellence and Support the Management in mounting more impact-driven academic programmes such as Medicine and Surgery, Automobile Engineering, among many other objectives.

In his convocation address, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Timothy Abiodun Adebayo, FCIA, FHS, informed the graduands that their journey doesn't just end with the academic success but that the journey of life must be seen as a continuous process and prayed that God should keep providing them with the needed guide.

Harping on the university development, the Vice-Chancellor, highlighted that the blueprint of transformation, reformation and restoration was a cord of three strong strands which helped the management to achieve great successes, and expressed appreciation for the support his team enjoyed from the Board of Trustees and Council.

These support system, he said, had helped ACU to be stable, to

be firmly established, and to develop.

While stating that the academic calendar had remained stable over the years and flowing freely without any hitches, all the University's academic programmes also run successfully and concurrently, Professor Adebayo boasted that the University environment had remained secured, truly serene and adequately conducive for teaching and research, while all its academic programmes accredited by the National Universities Commission (NUC).

He stated that as part of its academic developments and



Most Revd. Dr. Joseph Olatunji Akinfenwa
The Visitor of the University

successes, the students were actually competently prepared and adequately equipped to compare and compete favourably with their peers elsewhere.

He said they were endowed with the right levels of knowledge that could propel them to function practically and professionally in the outside world.

Towards this end, the Vice-chancellor acknowledged the



Chief Dr. Tunde J. Afolabi
The Chancellor of the University

exemplary performance of four of its students of Accounting and Finance Department in their final examinations of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN).



Professor Timothy Abiodun Adebayo
Vice-Chancellor of the University

The four students were: AKINOSUN, Akinlolu Alaba (ACA); IKWO, Iberedem John (ACA); OLUWALANA, Peter Olajiire (ACA); and AFOLABI, Olatundun Oluwaseun (ACA), who also came out with First Class Honours.

He explained that the University's increasing development had made the University more conducive with

the Governing Council ensuring the successful completion of building projects including the Histopathology Laboratory and Environmental Demonstration Ground for the Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences, Farm and Animal Houses for the Faculty of Agriculture, at the Offa Meta Campus.

At the St Andrew's Campus were erected University Professorial Office Complex (containing 18 offices with en-suite facilities), a furnished and equipped Faculty of Humanities Lecture Building (containing eight classrooms of 960-seater capacity), and new blocks of buildings for the Ajayi Crowther University Creche, Nursery and Primary School, situated on an adjoining land to the University, sold to us by the Anglican Diocese of Oyo.

The University also have now fully equipped Imaging Laboratory Complex for the Radiography and Radiation Sciences Programme of the University, stressing that the complex was a very interesting place to visit as it houses a plethora of sophisticated assorted Ultra Sound, Mobile and Digital Xray equipment and accessories, among others.

Under his watch, the University had continued to improve on its staff development programme, linkages and grants, as many were given the opportunity to run their PhD programmes through study leaves with full pay, continual basis. Staff members also received financial aids to attend and deliver papers at conferences,

seminars and workshops.

On the University's efforts towards fostering academic partnership, collaboration, and visibility, its Governing Council approved for



Chief Dr. Olutoyin Okeowo
Pro-Chancellor of the University

its participation in the 9th edition of IYF Education Forum - an International Collegiate Conference which was recently held in Busan, South Korea, in July 2023.

He highlighted that the University had also made giant strides in Entrepreneurial engagements with the students exposed to both entrepreneurial education and vocational training in 17 different skills including, among others,



Dr. Taiwo Afolabi
Chairman/CEO of Sixaf Group



A cross section of the graduands and other dignitaries at the convocation

electrical works and wiring, auto mechanical work, metal works and welding, wood works and carpentry, masonry and block making, creative arts, music recording and sound engineering, computer hardware repair and tailoring.

While appreciating the Governing Council for doing their best in repositioning the University as a 21st Century citadel of learning, he enumerated some of the challenges and needs of ACU to include:

Sustainable funds in order to keep the Offa Meta, Awe and Osoogun Campuses more functional; More faculty buildings with state-of-the-art functionalities; Endowments of Professorial Chairs to the University; More Halls of Residence to complement the existing ones; and, Funds and building donations towards establishing a College of Medicine for the University.

One of the major highlight of the event was the conferment of the

Chairman of Sixaf Group, Dr. Taiwo Afolabi (CON) who was honored with a doctorate degree in Business Administration.

At the convocation were representatives of the Oyo State Government; members of the University Senate; Vice-Chancellors from sister universities, friends of the University and graduating students as well as their parents and guardians.



The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adebayo (3rd right) and other principal officers at the conference

Mr. Odum, Dr. Ikenna Bow Out of NUC Service

A valedictory session was organized by the National Universities Commission (NUC) last Monday in honour of two retiring Management staff of the Commission, the Director, Directorate of Human Resources (DHR), Mr. Boniface C. Odum and the Deputy Director, Library Services, in the Directorate of Research Innovations and Information Technology (DRIIT), Dr. Mrs. Ikenna who both meritoriously bowed out of the services of the Commission after attaining the mandatory age of 60 years.

In his speech at the event, the Ag, Executive Secretary, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki said that the retired DHR meant different thing to different people, describing him as epitome of love and empathy to staff and a dutiful officer who discharged his services diligently to the development of the Commission.

He recalled that the retired Director joined the services of the NUC right from Lagos and moved down to Abuja where himself joined the Commission, noting that they had been working harmoniously since then up till the time of his retirement.

The Ag, Executive Secretary said that Mr. Odum had contributed immensely to the growth and development of the

Commission, having worked in different directorates of the commission, starting as Trainee Officer 1, and rose through the ranks to become a Director before retirement.



The retiring Director, Directorate of Human Resources (DHR), Mr. Boniface C. Odum appreciating the management's gesture

He said the Commission would greatly miss the expertise and experiences of the retired Director especially in the area



The retiring Deputy Director, DRIIT, Dr. Mrs. Ikenna making her remarks at the valedictory session

of Industrial Relations vis-à-vis the activities of the University-Based Unions.

Mr. Maiyaki expressed hope

that the retired Director, would have fruitful and promising retirement filled with joy, positivity and more blessings, as he only retired, but was not yet tired.

Similarly, Mr. Maiyaki said, Dr. Mrs. Ikenna was a gentle and dutiful staff who could hardly be noticed as she was reserved, resourceful and dedicated to her duties.

Reading the abridged citation of the retired DHR, the Ag. Director, Inspection and Monitoring (DIM), Mrs. Lydia Imorua said Mr. Odum joined the services of the NUC as a Trainee Officer 1 in Lagos with a lot of enthusiasm, passion and dedication which, according to her, afforded the celebrant the sponsorship by NUC to pursue his MSc. in Industrial Relations at the University of Ibadan (UI).



The Acting ES, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki speaking about the celebrants

Director, Mr. B.C. Odum, thanked the NUC management led by the Acting Executive Secretary for their immense support and show of love throughout his years of services in the NUC.

He thanked the ES, specially for his personal sacrifices and support which had made indelible contributions to his career progression and life accomplishments. He also thanked the Deputy Executive Secretary (Academic) Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu, who he said had been his good friend and someone who joined the Commission the same day with him and had remained a partner in progress through out his stewardship in NUC.

She said that the celebrant had served as the Chief Protocol Officer to the former Executive Secretary, Professor Julius Okojie, OON, among other positions he had held during the course of his services to the Commission.

Officer to his retiring position at this highest level of being a Director, saying Mr. Odum was now a Senior citizen whose lovely contributions and experiences would be greatly missed by every staff of the Commission, most especially members of the management.

In his remarks, the Director,



Mr. Maiyaki (1st left); DES (Academics), Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu (far right); Mrs. Ikenna and Mr. Odum and his wife cutting the cake

Office of the Executive Secretary (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu, said that NUC celebrated the accomplishments of the retired Director, right from his days as a young Trainee

He described Dr. Mrs. Ekenna as a very resourceful officer who discharged her services to the commission diligently.

In his response, the retired

Dr. Ikenna, in her response, also thanked the members of the management for the opportunity to serve the Commission and for the surprise of the send-forth which, she said, was a great



The Acting Director, Accreditation, Arch. Samuel Ikani proposing a toast for the celebrants

privilege that would forever be appreciated.

Goodwill messages were delivered by some members of the management and other staff of the Commission, including the Director, Open, Distance and e-learning, Engr. Dr. Kayode Odedina, Deputy Director, in the Directorate of Research Innovations and Information Technology (DRIIT), Mr. Obinna Wachukwu as well as Mr. John Abah, among others.

In his vote of thanks, the Deputy

Executive Secretary (Academic), Dr. N.B Saliu reaffirmed that Mr. Odum was his associate and a dutiful colleague who was reliable and committed to the development of NUC throughout his stewardship in the Commission.

He thanked the management and staff for celebrating the retired Director, calling on staff to renew their commitment towards achieving the core mandates of the NUC as he said that the Nigerian

University System (NUS) must remain vibrant to ensure that the graduates' output competed favourably with their peers globally.

Prayers were offered for the two retiring officers for more blessings, long life and prosperity.

In attendance were members of the management, the lovely wife of the former DHR and family members, staff, friends and well wishers.



Cross Section of some of the NUC Directors and senior management staff at the ceremony

*Some of the memorable moments captured at the management
validatory session for their retiring colleagues*



Season's Greetings



This is to wish all members of the NUC Christian community, the Nigerian University System and the entire nation, joyous Christmas celebrations.

May we enjoy a blissful season in an atmosphere of peace and tranquillity. May the well-being and expectations of the entire Nigerian University System be met in the coming year 2024.

May God grant our nation a prosperous future.

Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki
Acting Executive Secretary, NUC





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Yours in the service of higher education in Africa

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List of approved Open Universities in Nigeria, Five Open Universities currently operating in the NUS are as follows:

1. The National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN), which has 72 study/resource centres nationwide
2. Miva Open University, Abuja, FCT
3. Iconic Open University, Sokoto, Sokoto State
4. West Midland Open University, Ibadan, Oyo State
5. Al-Muhibbah Open University, Abuja, FCT

List of approved Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria, Twenty Universities in the NUS, currently have the approval of the National Universities Commission to operate distance learning centres as follows:

1. Distance Learning Centre, University of Ibadan.
2. University of Lagos, Distance Learning Institute.
3. University of Abuja, Centre for Distance Learning and Continuing Education.
4. University of Maiduguri, Centre for Distance Learning.
5. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Centre for Distance Learning.
6. Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola, Centre for Distance Learning.
7. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology Open and Distance Learning Centre.
8. Distance learning Centre, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria.
9. Lagos State University Open and Distance Learning and Research Institute.
10. Joseph Ayo Babalola University Centre for Distance Learning.
11. University of Nigeria, Nsukka Centre for Distance and e-Learning.
12. Federal University of Technology Minna, Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning.
13. Babcock University Ilisan-Remo, Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning.
14. University of Ilorin, Centre for Open and Distance Learning.
15. Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti - Open and Distance Learning Centre.
16. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye, Open and Distance Learning Centre.
17. Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Porthacourt, Institute of Distance Education.
18. Usmanu Danfodio University Centre for Open and Distance Education (CODE), Sokoto
19. Enugu State University of Science and Technology Open and Distance Learning Centre, Agbani
20. University of Benin Centre for Distance Learning, Edo State

Fourteen-Step Process for the Establishment of Private Universities in Nigeria

The National Universities Commission (NUC), wishes to announce to the general public, especially prospective promoters of private universities, the fourteen-step procedure for establishing private universities in Nigeria.

1. Application in writing stating the intent for the establishment of the university
2. Interview of prospective proprietors
3. Collection of application forms
4. Submission of application forms and relevant documents
5. Intensive review/analysis of documents by experts in relevant NUC departments
6. Revision of documents by proprietors, based on report of the Directorate of Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU).

7. Interactive meeting of DEPU with the proposed university
8. First site assessment visit
9. Finalisation of document
10. Second (final) site assessment visit
11. Security screening of proprietors and Board of Trustees
12. Approval by NUC Management
13. Approval by NUC Board
14. Approval by FEC

Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki
Acting Executive Secretary, NUC
Announcer



LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

FEDERAL UNIVERSITIES

| S/N | INSTITUTIONS | Year Est. | S/N | INSTITUTIONS | Year Est. | S/N | INSTITUTIONS | Year Est. |
|-----|--|-----------|-----|---|-----------|-----|--|-----------|
| 1 | University of Ibadan, Ibadan | 1948 | 20 | Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi | 1988 | 39 | Federal University, Gusau, Zamfara | 2013 |
| 2 | University of Nigeria, Nsukka | 1960 | 21 | Joseph Sarwuan Tarka University, Makurdi, Benue State | 1988 | 40 | Federal University, Gashua, Yobe | 2013 |
| 3 | Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife | 1962 | 22 | Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta | 1988 | 41 | Nigeria Maritime University Okerenkoko, Delta State | 2018 |
| 4 | Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria | 1962 | 23 | University of Uyo, Uyo | 1991 | 42 | Air Force Institute of Technology, Kaduna | 2018 |
| 5 | University of Lagos, Lagos | 1962 | 24 | Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka | 1992 | 43 | Nigerian Army University, Biu | 2018 |
| 6 | University of Benin, Benin City | 1970 | 25 | Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike | 1992 | 44 | Federal University of Health Sciences, Otukpo, Benue State | 2020 |
| 7 | Bayero University, Kano | 1975 | 26 | National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos | 2002 | 45 | Federal University of Agriculture, Zuru, Kebbi State | 2020 |
| 8 | University of Calabar, Calabar | 1975 | 27 | Fed. Univ. of Petroleum Resources, Effurun | 2007 | 46 | Federal University of Technology, Babura, Jigawa State | 2021 |
| 9 | University of Ilorin, Ilorin | 1975 | 28 | Federal University, Lokoja, Kogi State | 2011 | 47 | Federal University of Technology Ikot Abasi, Akwa Ibom State | 2021 |
| 10 | University of Jos, Jos | 1975 | 29 | Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State | 2011 | 48 | Federal University of Health Sciences, Azare, Bauchi State | 2021 |
| 11 | University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri | 1975 | 30 | Federal University, Kashere, Gombe State | 2011 | 49 | Federal University of Health Sciences, Ila Orangun, Osun State | 2021 |
| 12 | Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto | 1975 | 31 | Federal University, Wukari, Taraba State | 2011 | 50 | King David Umahi University of Medical Sciences, Uburu, Ebonyi State | 2022 |
| 13 | University of Port-Harcourt, Port-Harcourt | 1975 | 32 | Federal University, Dutsin-Ma, Katsina State | 2011 | 51 | Admiralty University, Ibusa, Delta State | 2023 |
| 14 | Federal University of Technology, Owerri | 1980 | 33 | Federal University, Dutse, Jigawa State | 2011 | 52 | Federal University of Transportation, Daura, Katsina State, | 2023 |
| 15 | Federal University of Technology, Akure | 1981 | 34 | Alex Ekwueme University, Ndufu Alike, Ebonyi State | 2011 | | | |
| 16 | Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola | 1981 | 35 | Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Ekiti State | 2011 | | | |
| 17 | Federal University of Technology, Minna | 1982 | 36 | Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa | 2011 | | | |
| 18 | Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna | 1985 | 37 | The Nigeria Police Academy, Wudil, Kano State | 2012 | | | |
| 19 | University of Abuja, Abuja | 1988 | 38 | Federal University, Birnin-Kebbi, Kebbi | 2013 | | | |

STATE UNIVERSITIES

| S/N | INSTITUTIONS | Year Est. | S/N | INSTITUTIONS | Year Est. | S/N | INSTITUTIONS | Year Est. |
|-----|---|-----------|-----|---|-----------|-----|---|-----------|
| 1 | Rivers State University of Science & Technology, Port Harcourt | 1979 | 19 | Adamawa State University, Mubi | 2002 | 37 | Maitama Sule University, Kano | 2012 |
| 2 | Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma | 1980 | 20 | Gombe State University, Gombe | 2004 | 38 | Technical University, Ibadan | 2012 |
| 3 | Abia State University, Uturu | 1981 | 21 | Kaduna State University, Kaduna | 2004 | 39 | Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausa | 2013 |
| 4 | Enugu State University of Science & Tech, Enugu | 1982 | 22 | University of Cross River State, Calabar | 2004 | 40 | Ondo State University of Medical Sciences | 2015 |
| 5 | Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye | 1982 | 23 | Plateau State University, Bokkos | 2005 | 41 | Edo University, Iyamho | 2016 |
| 6 | Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti. (formerly University of Ado-Ekiti) | 1982 | 24 | Olusegun Agagu University of Science and Technology, Okitipupa, Ondo State. | 2008 | 42 | Kingsley Ozumba (K.O) Mbadiwe University, Imo State | 2016 |
| 7 | Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos | 1983 | 25 | Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai, Niger State | 2005 | 43 | University of Africa, Toru-Orua | 2016 |
| 8 | Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomoso | 1990 | 26 | Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun | 2005 | 44 | Borno State University | 2016 |
| 9 | Imo State University, Owerri | 1992 | 27 | Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina | 2006 | 45 | Moshood Abiola University of Science and Technology, Abeokuta | 2017 |
| 10 | Benue State University, Makurdi | 1992 | 28 | Yobe State University Damaturu, Yobe State | 2006 | 46 | Gombe State University of Science and Technology, Kumo | 2017 |
| 11 | Delta State University, Abraka | 1992 | 29 | Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero | 2006 | 47 | Zamfara State University, Talata-Mafara | 2018 |
| 12 | Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba - Akoko | 1999 | 30 | Osun State University, Osogbo | 2006 | 48 | Bayelsa Medical University Yenagoa, Bayelsa State | 2019 |
| 13 | Kogi State University, Anyigba | 1999 | 31 | Taraba State University, Jalingo | 2008 | 49 | University of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, Umuagwo, Imo State | 2019 |
| 14 | Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa | 2000 | 32 | Kwara State University, Ilorin | 2009 | 50 | Bamidele Olumulia University of Education Science and Technology, Ikeri - Ekiti State | 2020 |
| 15 | Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University, Uli | 2000 | 33 | Sokoto State University, Sokoto | 2009 | 51 | Confluence University of Science and Technology Osara, Kogi State | 2020 |
| 16 | Aliko Dangote University of Science & Technology, Wudil | 2000 | 34 | Akwa Ibom State University, Ikot Ikpaden | 2010 | 52 | University of Delta, Agbor, Delta State | 2021 |
| 17 | Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki | 2000 | 35 | Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni | 2010 | 53 | University of Science and Technology, Ozoro, Delta State | 2021 |
| 18 | Nasarawa State University, Keffi | 2002 | 36 | Bauchi State University, Gadau | 2011 | 54 | Dennis Osadebay University, Asaba, Delta State | 2021 |
| | | | | | | 55 | Lagos University of Education, LASUED, Oto/Ijanikin, Lagos State | 2022 |



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| 56 | Lagos University of Science and Technology, Ikorodu, Lagos State | 2022 | 60 | Emmanuel Alayande University of Education, Oyo, Oyo State | 2022 | | |
| 57 | Shehu Shagari University of Education, Sokoto, Sokoto State | 2022 | 61 | Sa'adatu Rimi University of Education, Kumbotso, Kano, Kano State | 2023 | | |
| 58 | State University of Medical and Applied Sciences, Igbo-Eno, Enugu State | 2022 | 62 | Kogi State University, Kabba, Kogi State | 2023 | | |
| 59 | University of Ilesa, Osun State | 2022 | 63 | Niger State University of Education, Minna, Niger State | 2023 | | |

PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

| S/N | INSTITUTIONS | Year Est. | S/N | INSTITUTIONS | Year Est. | S/N | INSTITUTIONS | Year Est. |
|-----|---|-----------|-----|---|-----------|-----|--|-----------|
| 1 | Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo, Ogun State | 1999 | 33 | Salem University, Lokoja, Kogi State | 2007 | 66 | Dominican University, Ibadan, Oyo State | 2016 |
| 2 | Madonna University, Okija, Anambra State | 1999 | 34 | Afe Babalola University Ado-Ekiti - Ekiti State | 2007 | 67 | Kola Daisi University, Ibadan, Oyo State | 2016 |
| 3 | Igbinedion University, Okada, Edo State | 1999 | 35 | Godfrey Okoye University, Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu State | 2007 | 68 | Legacy University, Okija, Anambra State | 2016 |
| 4 | Bowen University, Iwo, Osun State | 2001 | 36 | Nigerian-Turkish Nile University, FCT Abuja | 2009 | 69 | Spiritan University, Nneochi, Abia State | 2017 |
| 5 | Benson Idahosa University, Benin City, Edo State | 2002 | 37 | Oduduwa University, Ipetumodu - Osun State | 2009 | 70 | Precious Cornerstone, Ibadan, Oyo State | 2017 |
| 6 | Covenant University, Otta, Ogun State | 2002 | 38 | Paul University, Awka, Anambra State | 2009 | 71 | PAMO University of Medical Sciences, Port-Harcourt, Rivers State | 2017 |
| 7 | Pan-Atlantic University, Lekki-Express Way, Lagos State | 2002 | 39 | Rhema University, Obeama-Asa, Rivers State | 2009 | 72 | Atiba University, Oyo, Oyo State | 2017 |
| 8 | American University of Nigeria, Yola, Adamawa State | 2003 | 40 | Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State | 2009 | 73 | Eko University of Medical Sciences, Ijanikin, Lagos | 2017 |
| 9 | Ajayi Crowther University, Ibadan, Oyo State | 2005 | 41 | Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State | 2011 | 74 | Skyline University, Nigeria, Kano, Kano State | 2018 |
| 10 | Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin, Kwara State | 2005 | 42 | Baze University, FCT Abuja | 2011 | 75 | Greenfield University, Kasarami-Kaduna, Kaduna State | 2019 |
| 11 | Al-Qalam University, Katsina, Katsina State | 2005 | 43 | Landmark University Omu-Aran, Kwara State | 2011 | 76 | Dominion University, Ibadan, Oyo State | 2019 |
| 12 | Bells University of Technology, Otta, Ogun State | 2005 | 44 | Glorious Vision University (formerly Samuel Adegboye University), Ogwa, Edo State | 2011 | 77 | Trinity University, Laloko, Ogun State | 2019 |
| 13 | Bingham University, New-Karu, Nasarawa State | 2005 | 45 | Mcperson University, Seriki Sotayo, Ajebo, Ogun State | 2012 | 78 | Westland University, Iwo, Osun State | 2019 |
| 14 | Caritas University, Enugu, Enugu State | 2005 | 46 | Elizade University, Ilara-Mokin, Ondo State | 2012 | 79 | Topfaith University, Mkpataka, Akwa-Ibom State | 2021 |
| 15 | Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State | 2005 | 47 | Southwestern University Oku Owa, Ogun State | 2012 | 80 | Thomas Adewumi University, Oko-Irese, Kwara State | 2021 |
| 16 | Crescent University, Abeokuta, Ogun State | 2005 | 48 | Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State | 2012 | 81 | Maranatha University, Lekki, Lagos State | 2021 |
| 17 | Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State | 2005 | 49 | Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State | 2012 | 82 | Ave-Maria University, Piyanko, Nasarawa State | 2021 |
| 18 | Kwararafa University, Wukari, Taraba State | 2005 | 50 | Augustine University, Ilara, Lagos State | 2015 | 83 | AL-Istiqama University, Sumaila, Kano State | 2021 |
| 19 | Redeemer's University, Mowe, Ogun State | 2005 | 51 | Chrisland University, Owode, Ogun State | 2015 | 84 | Mudiame University, Irrua, Edo State | 2021 |
| 20 | Renaissance University, Enugu, Enugu State | 2005 | 52 | Christopher University, Mowe, Ogun State | 2015 | 85 | Havilla University, Nde-Ikom, Cross River State | 2021 |
| 21 | University of Mkar, Mkar, Benue State | 2005 | 53 | Hallmark University, Ijebu-Itele, Ogun State | 2015 | 86 | Claretian University of Nigeria, Nekede, Imo State | 2021 |
| 22 | Novena University, Ogume, Delta State | 2005 | 54 | Kings University Ode-Omu, Osun State | 2015 | 87 | Karl-Kumm University, Vom, Plateau State | 2021 |
| 23 | Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State | 2006 | 55 | Michael & Cecilia Ibru University, Owhode, Delta State | 2015 | 88 | Nok University, Kachia, Kaduna State | 2021 |
| 24 | Veritas University, Abuja, FCT | 2006 | 56 | Mountain Top University, Makogi/Oba, Ogun State | 2015 | 89 | James Hope University, Lekki, Lagos State | 2021 |
| 25 | Achievers University, Owo, Ondo State | 2007 | 57 | Ritman University, Ikot Ekpene, Akwalbom State | 2015 | 90 | Maryam Abacha American University of Nigeria, Kano, Kano State | 2021 |
| 26 | African University of Science & Technology, Abuja, FCT | 2007 | 58 | Summit University, Offa, Kwara State | 2015 | 91 | Capital City University, Kano, Kano State | 2021 |
| 27 | Caleb University, Imota, Lagos State | 2007 | 59 | Edwin Clark University, Kiagbodo, Delta State | 2015 | 92 | Ahman Pategi University, Patigi, Kwara State | 2021 |
| 28 | Fountain University, Oshogbo, Osun State | 2007 | 60 | Hezekiah University, Umudi, Imo State | 2015 | 93 | University of Offa, Offa, Kwara State | 2021 |
| 29 | Obong University Obong Ntak, Akwa Ibom State | 2007 | 61 | Anchor University Ayobo, Lagos State | 2015 | 94 | Mewar University, Masaka, Nasarawa State | 2021 |
| 30 | Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State | 2007 | 62 | Arthur Jarvis University Akpabuyo, Cross River State | 2016 | 95 | Edusoko University, Bida, Niger State | 2021 |
| 31 | Wesley University of Science & Technology, Ondo State | 2007 | 63 | Clifford University, Owerinta, Abia State | 2016 | 96 | Philomath University, Kuje, Abuja | 2021 |
| 32 | Western Delta University, Oghara, Delta State | 2007 | 64 | Coal City University Enugu, Enugu State | 2016 | | | |
| | | | 65 | Ojaja University Ilorin, Kwara State | 2016 | | | |

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|-----|---|-----------|-----|--|-----------|-----|--------------|-----------|
| 97 | Khadija University, Majia, Jigawa State | 2021 | 134 | Shanahan University, Onitsha, Anambra State | 2023 | | | |
| 98 | ANAN University, Kwall, Plateau State | 2021 | 135 | The Duke Medical University Calabar, Cross River State | 2023 | | | |
| 99 | Pen Resource University, Gombe, Gombe State | 2022 | 136 | Mercy Medical University, Iwara, Iwo, Osun State | 2023 | | | |
| 100 | Al-Ansar University, Maiduguri, Borno State | 2022 | 137 | Cosmopolitan University, Abuja, FCT | 2023 | | | |
| 101 | Margaret Lawrence University, Galilee, Delta State | 2022 | 138 | Iconic Open University, Sokoto, Sokoto State | 2023 | | | |
| 102 | Khalifa Isiyaku Rabiu University, Gadon Kaya City Gate Kano, Kano State | 2022 | 139 | West Midland Open University, Ibadan, Oyo State | 2023 | | | |
| 103 | Sports University, Idumuje, Ugboko, Delta State | 2022 | 140 | Amaj University, Abuja, FCT | 2023 | | | |
| 104 | Baba-Ahmed University, Kano, Kano State, Kano, Kano State | 2022 | 141 | Prime University, Abuja, FCT | 2023 | | | |
| 105 | Saia University Of Medical Sciences And Technology, Sokoto, Sokoto State | 2022 | 142 | El-Amin University, Niger State | 2023 | | | |
| 106 | Nigerian British University, Asa, Abia State | 2022 | 143 | College of Petroleum and Energy Studies, Kaduna, Kaduna State | 2023 | | | |
| 107 | Peter University, Achina-Onneh, Anambra State | 2022 | 144 | Jewel University, Gombe, Gombe State | 2023 | | | |
| 108 | Newgate University, Minna, Niger State | 2022 | 145 | Nigerian University of Technology and Management, Apapa, Lagos State | 2023 | | | |
| 109 | European University of Nigeria, Duboyi, Abuja, FCT | 2022 | 146 | Al-Muhibbah Open University, Abuja, FCT | 2023 | | | |
| 110 | Northwest University, Sokoto, Sokoto State | 2022 | 147 | Al-Bayan University, Ankpa, Kogi State | 2023 | | | |
| 111 | Rayhaan University, Birnin Kebbi, Kebbi State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 112 | Muhammad Kamalud-Deen University, Ilorin, Kwara State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 113 | Sam Maris University, Supare, Ondo State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 114 | Aletheia University, Ago-Iwoye, Ogun State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 115 | Lux Mundi University, Umuahia, Abia State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 116 | Maduka University, Ekwegbe - Nsukka, Enugu State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 117 | Peaceland University, Enugu, Enugu State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 118 | Amadeus University, Amizi, Abia State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 119 | Vision University, Ikogbo, Ogun State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 120 | Azman University, Kano, Kano State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 121 | Huda University, Gusau, Zamfara State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 122 | Franco British International University, Kaduna, Kaduna State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 123 | Canadian University of Nigeria, Abuja, FCT | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 124 | Miva Open University, Abuja, FCT | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 125 | Gerar University of Medical Sciences, Imope-Ijebu, Ogun State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 126 | British Canadian University, Obudu, Cross River State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 127 | Hensard University, Toru-Orua, Bayelsa State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 128 | Phoenix University, Agwada, Nasarawa State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 129 | Wigwe University, Isiokpo, Rivers State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 130 | Hillside University of Science and Technology, Okemesi Ekiti, Ekiti State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 131 | University on the Niger, Umunya, Anambra State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 132 | Elrazi University of Medical Sciences, Kano, Kano State | 2023 | | | | | | |
| 133 | Venite University Iloro - Ekiti, Ekiti State | 2023 | | | | | | |



NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

List of Illegal Universities Closed Down by NUC

The National Universities Commission (NUC) wishes to announce to the general public, especially parents and prospective undergraduates, that the under-listed “Degree Mills” have not been licensed by the Federal Government and have, therefore, been closed down for violating the Education (National Minimum Standards etc.) Act CAP E3 Law of the Federation of Nigeria 2004. The “Universities” are:

- 1) University of Accountancy and Management Studies, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 2) Christians of Charity American University of Science & Technology, Nkpor, Anambra State or any of its other campuses
- 3) University of Industry, Yaba, Lagos or any of its other campuses
- 4) University of Applied Sciences & Management, Port Novo, Republic of Benin or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
- 5) Blacksmith University, Awka or any of its other campuses
- 6) Volta University College, Ho, Volta Region, Ghana or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
- 7) Royal University Izhia, P.O. Box 800, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State or any of its other campuses
- 8) Atlanta University, Anyigba, Kogi State or any of its other campuses
- 9) United Christian University, Macotis Campus, Imo State or any of its other campuses.
- 10) United Nigeria University College, Okija, Anambra State or any of its other campuses.
- 11) Samuel Ahmadu University, Makurdi, Benue State or any of its other campuses.
- 12) UNESCO University, Ndoni, Rivers State or any of its other campuses.
- 13) Saint Augustine’s University of Technology, Jos, Plateau State or any of its other campuses
- 14) The International University, Missouri, USA, Kano and Lagos Study Centres, or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 15) Collumbus University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 16) Tiu International University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 17) Pebbles University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 18) London External Studies UK operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 19) Pilgrims University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 20) Lobi Business School Makurdi, Benue State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 21) West African Christian University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 22) Bolta University College Aba or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 23) JBC Seminary Inc. (Wukari Jubilee University) Kaduna Illegal Campus
- 24) Westlan University, Esie, Kwara State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 25) St. Andrews University College, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 26) EC-Council University, USA, Ikeja Lagos Study Centre.
- 27) Atlas University, Ikot Udo Uko, Uyo Akwa Ibom State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 28) Concept College/Universities (London) Ilorin or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 29) Halifax Gateway University, Ikeja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 30) Kingdom of Christ University, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 31) Acada University, Akinlalu, Oyo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 32) Fifom University, Mbaize, Imo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 33) Houdegbe North American University campuses in Nigeria.
- 34) Atlantic Intercontinental University, Okija, Anambra State
- 35) Open International University, Akure
- 36) Middle Belt University (North Central University), Otukpo
- 37) Leadway University, Ughelli, Delta State

- 38) Metro University, Dutse/Bwari, Abuja
- 39) Southend University, Ngwuro Egeru (Afam) Ndoki, Rivers State
- 40) Olympic University, Nsukka, Enugu State
- 41) Federal College of Complementary and Alternative Medicine, Abuja.
- 42) Temple University, Abuja
- 43) Irish University Business School London, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 44) National University of Technology, Lafia, Nasarawa State.
- 45) University of Accountancy and Management Studies, Mowe, Lagos - Ibadan Expressway and its Annex at 41, Ikorodu Road, Lagos.
- 46) University of Education, Winneba Ghana, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 47) Cape Coast University, Ghana, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 48) African University Cooperative Development (AUCD), Cotonou, Benin Republic, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 49) Pacific Western University, Denver, Colorado, Owerri Study Centre.
- 50) Evangel University of America & Chudick Management Academic, Lagos
- 51) Enugu State University of Science and Technology (Gboko Campus)
- 52) Career Light Resources Centre, Jos
- 53) University of West Africa, Kwali-Abuja, FCT
- 54) Coastal University, Iba-Oku, Akwa-Ibom State
- 55) Kaduna Business School, Kaduna
- 56) Royal University of Theology, Minna, Niger State
- 57) West African Union University, in Collaboration with International Professional College of Administration, Science and Technology Nigeria, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 58) Gospel Missionary Foundation (GMF), Theological University. 165 Iselo road, Cele bus stop, Egbe-Ikotun, Lagos.

In addition to the closure, the following Degree Mills are currently undergoing further investigations and/or ongoing court actions. The purpose of these actions is to prosecute the proprietors and recover illegal fees and charges on subscribers.

- 1) National University of Nigeria, Keffi, Nasarawa State
- 2) North Central University, Otukpo, Benue State
- 3) Christ Alive Christian Seminary and University, Enugu
- 4) Richmond Open University, Arochuku, Abia State.
- 5) West Coast University, Umuahia.
- 6) Saint Clements University, Iyin Ekiti, Ekiti State
- 7) Volta University College, Aba, Abia State.
- 8) Illegal Satellite Campuses of Ambrose Alli University.
- 9) L.I.F.E Leadership University, Benin City, Edo State.

For the avoidance of doubt, anybody who patronises or obtains any certificate from any of these illegal institutions does so at his or her own risk. Certificates obtained from these sources will not be recognised for the purposes of NYSC, employment, and further studies.

The relevant Law enforcement agencies have also been informed for their further necessary action.

*** This list of illegal institutions is not exhaustive.**

Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki
ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION
ANNOUNCER



This Week's Birthdays



| NAMES | | | DATE OF BIRTH |
|----------|-----------|-----------|---------------|
| BIODUN | NOEL | SALIU | 25 December |
| LILIAN | NNEOMA | OPARAUGO | 27 December |
| ZAINAB | ONANI | SANI | 28 December |
| ZAKARIYA | KWANTA | SINI | 28 December |
| UCHECHI | EMMANUEL | OGBAJE | 28 December |
| RUTH | EKPENYONG | AMANAM | 28 December |
| BUKAR | AHMED | ALI | 28 December |
| OLOLADE | ADEWUMI | AGARAWU | 29 December |
| CELINA | ADA | ABANG | 29 December |
| INEMESIT | UDOUDO | UKPONG | 29 December |
| ADAMU | | MOHAMMED | 30 December |
| OBIANUJU | CATHERINE | NNABUENYI | 30 December |
| LARABA | | SUNDAY | 31 December |
| DANIEL | | AYUBA | 31 December |
| TINA | ELLA | OGWOGHO | 31 December |

Wishing You Many happy returns!

Best Wishes for the week



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DO YOUR BIT TO MOVE THE
COMMISSION TO GREATER HEIGHTS

*Dress Well and Earn
Respect.*
Courtesy: Directorate of Human Resources

SHUN CORRUPTION.
It Does not Pay
Courtesy: Anti-corruption and Transparency Unit